



## MONTHLY BIRD CENSUS **15 FEBRUARY 2009**

**CENSUS NUMBER** TIME 08:20 - 11:50 **CLOUD COVER 90%** PRECIP NONE

**OPEN WATER ALL FOG NONE** WIND 0-5 **TEMP 32-44 SNOW COVER NONE** 

PARTICIPANTS: Amy Schillinger, Kathy Andrich, Scott Ramos, and Stan Wood (ponds) Rebecca Galloway, Carol Schulz and Roger Orness (meadows)

## **SPECIES**

1.	Pied-billed Grebe 7 Double-crested Cormorant 1	<b>=</b>	18. Hooded Merganser 8 19. Common Merganser 3		35. Black-capped Chickadee 30 36. Chestnut-backed Chickadee 1 *9
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3.	American Bittern 1	*1	20. Ruddy Duck 22		37. Bewick's Wren 11
4.	Great Blue Heron 6		21. Ring-necked Pheasant 1 H		38. Marsh Wren 7
5.	<b>Greater White-fronted Goose</b>	1	22. Bald Eagle 2	*3	39. Golden-crowned Kinglet 3
6.	Cackling Goose 20		23. Northern Harrier 2	*4	40. Ruby-crowned Kinglet 18
7.	Canada Goose 40		24. Cooper's Hawk 1	*5	41. American Robin 38
8.	Trumpeter Swan 6	*2	25. Red-tailed Hawk 6	*6	42. European Starling 1
9.	Gadwall 16		26. American Coot 78		43. Yellow-rumped Warbler 7 *10
10.	Mallard 75		27. Wilson's Snipe 1	*7	44. Spotted Towhee 17
11.	Northern Shoveler 28		28. Glaucous-winged Gull 15		45. Fox Sparrow 4
12.	Northern Pintail 57		29. Rock Pigeon 3		46. Song Sparrow 58
13.	Green-winged Teal 23		30. Anna's Hummingbird 2		47. White-crowned Sparrow 3
14.	Canvasback 1		31. Downy Woodpecker 2		48. Dark-eyed Junco 3
15.	Ring-necked Duck 71		32. Northern Flicker 10		49. Red-winged Blackbird 11
16.	Lesser Scaup 4		33. Western Scrub-Jay 3	*8	50. Western Meadowlark 2
17.	Bufflehead 24		34. American Crow 35		51. Brewer's Blackbird 7
					52. House Finch 12

## \*NOTES\*

- Ponds team attempted to get a Rail response without success and the bittern flew from the NE cell to the W.
- Three adults and a juvenile flyover from S to N and later two adults flew in from the S and landed W of knoll. \*2
- One adult on power tower, then flew NW out of area, followed by a sub-adult, that later was on same tower. \*3
- One SY juvenile interacting with a NW adult red-tail over meadows; one adult female hunting lagoon island. \*4
- One battling with a crow over the S end of the lagoon was observed by all and was male size, but not aged. \*5
- Both NW adults on territory, 1 on nest, 1 near nest; both SW adults on territory; one non-resident flyover and \*6 a TY sub-adult briefly visited a mid-meadows tree, then was displaced by a NW adult. SEE MORE NOTES
- One flew into the area over the bike trail, and continued back out to the meadow, just S of the power lines.
- Two jays were foraging on the ground in the litter near the knoll, while a third was heard in the blackberries.
- One was observed with black-caps in the pine tree outside of the nursery at the start of the interpretive trail. \*9
- \*10. There were no "Myrtles" yellow-rumps observed among "Audubon's" and all were seen by the ponds team.

## MORE NOTES

This same TY sub-adult red-tail was also observed in the same meadows tree during the November 2008 census.

SY - refers to (S)econd (Y)ear (when aging raptors) although less than a year old, it is passed the hatch year HY. TY is (T)hird (Y)ear and ASY – (A)fter (S)econd (Y)ear would be one that is known to be older than a second year.

No owl, or recent castings (pellets) were seen at Anderson Park, but many owl castings were observed beneath the conifers by the ditch, just S of Anixter warehouse, where a Long-eared Owl is likely still around, but not seen.